

Do you know that
Sinclair
Broadcasting is
forcing all of their
many stations to air
an anti-Kerry
documentary,
pre-empting other
programming, days
before the election?
What an example of
the dangerous result
of media
consolidation.

Such a politically
motivated action
without presentation
of any opposition
message demonstrates
Sinclair's flouting
of its legal
obligation to serve
the public interest
in exchange for
using the public
airwaves free of
charge. When large
companies control
the airwaves, we get
more of what's good
for the bottom line
and less of what we
need for our
democracy. Instead
of something
produced at "News
Central" far away,
it's more important
that we see real
people from our own
communities and more
substantive news
about issues that
matter.

Sinclair's actions
show why we need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. They
show why the license
renewal process
needs to involve
more than a returned
postcard. Thank you.